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PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE



This message is an appeal to all TNA governors, club representatives and secretaries. Our TNA News editor is in due need of your help. In fact, you are letting her down. There is not enough news of your district activities being sent in to enable our editor to make a comprehensive report on our organization.

All of you TNA governors, let's report to the editor your visits to the various clubs and any other TNA activities. Club representatives and secretaries — let's hear about the happenings of your clubs. You might be surprised who is interested in your meetings. We have a wonderful monthly magazine. Let's don't starve it to death.

ATTENTION — There will be a meeting of the TNA official board at the ANA convention in Houston. The meeting will be held Thursday, August 26, at 1 p.m. Any TNA member or club having items they would like to have brought up, please advise your club representative so that they may contact their governor.

I have just returned from the Abilene Key City Coin convention. This show was well organized and came off very nicely. I was very surprised to see how far the foreign trend has advanced. Out of the many nice exhibits there was only one U.S. coin exhibit in the adult category. Quite a startling development, isn't it?

As all of you know, the ANA convention will be in Texas this year. Let's see the Texans step in there and capture some of the exhibit awards. If you don't have yours complete now, how about getting busy and finish it up. We may not have another opportunity in a long time to have the national convention so close to home.

See you in Houston!



I.O.W.M.C. To Have Official Meeting

The official annual meeting of the International Organization of Wood- and Money Collectors will be held at the ANA convention in Houston on Thursday, August 26, at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel. Members and guests will gather at 8:00 a.m. for a Continental Breakfast followed by the business session. The convention pro-

gram will carry the room number or members may inquire at the information desk.

The breakfast will be "Dutch Treat" served buffet at a price of about \$1.75. Please notify Mrs. Wally Gilmore, IOWM.C. vice-president, if you plan to attend and how many in your party so that proper arrangements can be made.



T.N.A. MEMOS

WE ARE REPEATING . . . It has become necessary to change the deadline for the TNA News. Please send all news items, club material and advertising copy in time for it to reach the editor no later than the 5th of each month. Please cooperate, it will be appreciated.



THIS BEARS REPEATING ALSO

Please send all changes of address, membership applications, dues, renewals, etc., and requests for application blanks and other materials, direct to the secretary, Mrs. Geiger. Please send all TNA News publication material, including club reports, advertising copy and payment for same, direct to the editor, Mrs. Gilmore. This has been announced from time to time and most recently in the May issue, but many items are still being sent to the wrong person which delays the processing.



ATTENTION GOVERNORS . . .

If you are planning to attend a con show or convention and desire extra copies of the TNA News, please make arrangements in advance with the publisher, Clark Coursey, Banner Printing Co., Brownwood, and he will send them direct from his office. The secretary and editor do not always have enough copies on hand to furnish the special needs and requests.

This will also aid Mr. Coursey in determining how many copies to print each month. But do be reasonable in the amount you request, please.

THE T.N.A. HISTORIAN, Mrs. Ruby Threlkeld, still needs your co-operation in sending her pictures, news clippings, etc., of individual and club activities. Don't let the scrap book keep going along with empty pages.

HOW ARE YOU COMING ALONG with your inquiries in your home town as to whether or not there are any permanent numismatic exhibits? The TNA News would like to make a listing of all known exhibits. Don't forget to ask your bank, library, museum - they should be able to furnish some information.



By now, each TNA member should have the yearbook. Please give us your comments on the new format used this year in listing the membership. The secretary received several requests that their name not be published, so a few will be missing from the list.



**Have you made hotel reservations?
ANA 1965 Convention
Shamrock Hilton Hotel, Houston**

By Major Al Naumann, San Antonio, Texas, president of the Alamo Coin Club and Prominent South Texas Collector.

Emergency Monies Of Miscellaneous Material

Emergency money could again occur not only in Europe but right here in the United States. The crisis that usually forces any country into issuing emergency money is war, depression or a combination of both. The various types of emergency money that I have in my collection were issued in Europe between 1914 and 1923.

During the early days of World War I, basic and precious metals were needed to support the war effort being conducted by the Germans. Due to the limited amount of resources available in their own country they were forced to use their silver, copper, nickel and gold coins to manufacture weapons, instruments and other essential items of war. The drain of coins from circulation was felt immediately by the local population and over night cities, towns, villages and various business firms found it necessary to devise other means to replace the now scarce metal coins.

Throughout the war, and for several years following, some of the business firms even resorted to the issuance of pieces of paper that were worth a predetermined amount of bread flour, butter, coal, etc., which could be drawn against the commissary of the issuing firm. These chits had been paid as part of the workers wages.

Many of the large business firms

issued their money which was redeemable at their commissary and usable within the city of issue. As a side note, I believe that it is important to mention that even today the majority of large German industries have their own commissaries from which their employees can make purchases at a savings, in a similar manner to our Military commissaries. I mention this for you to have a better understanding as to why the large and varied number of monies may be collected from different towns and business firms in Germany and Austria.

Emergency monies from the World War I era were issued in many forms and printed on various materials. The following materials were used: glass, coal, linen, silk, cotton, jute, leather, including sheepskin and hard shoe sole leather, wood, cardboard, various type paper and buckskin. Specimens of some of this type money is rather difficult to find today, however, I do have a few examples of the above described.

The buckskin type leather note is a commemorative or special issue printed in 1922 by a village called Osterwick in the Harz mountain area. I have notes of 50 and 100 Mark values. Osterwick took pride in its leather industry which cured and dyed hides. They were world renowned for the manufacturing of

leather gloves.

A series of wooden coins printed by the firm of Franz Weinhofer, a furniture dealer at St. Polten, Austria is very interesting. This series of three coins consist of a 10, 20 and 50 Hellers. These coins were good from May 1, 1920 until October 1, 1920. Because of the spiraling rate of inflation, many coins or notes were good for only a few days, several weeks, or months.

Another interesting series consists of three notes from Austria which have been printed on the reverse side of sugar and fat ration cards. This group of notes was issued by the village of Windisgarsten and has the name of the burgermeister printed on it. They were good until September 1, 1920.

As the inflated value of money surged in Germany, after the end of World War I, it is with interest that we note a 500,000 Mark note which has been printed on the reverse of a stock Dividend coupon. This note was issued by the Machine Factory Kulmbach in southern Germany. Issued on August 20, 1923, it was good until September 30, 1923.

Think of yourself going to the local bank today and receiving a piece of coinage made of paper, which at the time was a Stock or Security of some firm which had printed on the reverse "Good for Fifty Cents." There was such a note — in 1914 a coal dealer did issue a note for one Mark and it was printed on the reverse of an old Stock or Security certificate. Bear in mind that in 1914 inflation had not set in and that metal coins were practically non-existent.

There was another type of paper currency which replaced metal coins — a note for six Mark and 96 Pfennig, hand-written on a receipt slip by the shipping firm of North German Lloyd in Bremerhaven, Germany. Again we find various types

of material being used for coinage.

How would you like to have a currency printed on ticket blanks? There is one — a three Mark note issued August 8, 1914 and good until December 31, 1914 which was perforated for easy separation when it was spent.

There was also a note printed on butter paper. This 10 Pfennig note was issued by the village of Liebstadt, Germany; or odder yet — a slip of paper good for 10 pfennig issued by the community of Petersdorf, Germany dated October, 1914.

France also found herself without sufficient metal coins and issued five and ten Centimes pieces in 1915. This coinage was printed on hard cardboard.

Normally when we speak about linen we think of table cloths, napkins or suits. The Germans used linen material to print money on. One is a set of from 10 Pfennig to two Mark. These notes were issued by the village of Lauenburg. Each note was numbered and signed by the Mayor of the town.

You may never believe it, but it is true. The Austrian town of Buch issued a series of emergency notes printed on the reverse side of art scenes, in denominations of 20 and 30 Hellers. This type would surely be difficult to counterfeit.

By now you might be wondering what city buses or other modes of transportation used to collect as fares during an emergency. The elevated railroad in Berlin sold a special little envelope containing 10 each 15 Pfennig postage stamps. A normal fare was 15 Pfennig. Picture postcard money — yes sir! In the Austrian town of Altenmark, a series of 15, 20, 30 and 50 Heller pieces of money were printed on the reverse side of scenic picture postcards. Only 2500 pieces were printed and are quite

rare

Silk money was issued by the town of Bielefeld, Germany — notes printed on silk to commemorate their 700th anniversary. The 25 Mark note was issued in 1921 and displays various legendary tales or stories concerning the history of Bielefeld. One inscription reads — "Virgins and grass blades make sick people verile and horses healthy."

Bielefeld issued other notes to commemorate their anniversary and condemn the occupation by the French and Belgians following World War I. These notes were printed on linen. Each of the scenes shown on the notes are extremely interesting. A translation of some of the writing is as follows. "Here lies my woman, be praised and thanked, she argued with everybody, therefore, hurry away from here or she'll get up and argue with you." Another example "Here is buried Johann Merkel, in his youth he was filthy, when he became older he was a pig."

Since paper was scarce, individual towns, when possible, developed their own paper to eliminate counterfeiting. The town of Hadersforf issued wood pulp notes in the amount of 10, 20 and 50 Hellers valid from October 1-15, 1920. The town of Timcewo, Poland issued a coin printed on a piece of cardboard box, due to the shortage of paper.

On December 31, 1920 the town of Kennelbach, Austria issued a series of currency consisting of 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 Heller value on the back of potato ration cards. This particular issue was limited to 400 pieces and today may be considered rare. St. Gallen, Austria issued money printed on the reverse side of bread and coal ration cards. Security paper was definitely at a premium.

Various countries issued postage stamp money, encased including Austria, France, Turkey, Germany

and the United States. To the best of my knowledge, Russia did not encase any of their postage stamp money. They did print on the reverse side of the stamp words to the effect that the stamp was to be used as currency. Germany had a large number of varied type of encased postage stamps which, like our encased stamps used during the Civil War era, bore advertisements on the reverse. Denmark had one which advertised Captain cigarettes.

I wish to extend an invitation to each and everyone to participate in the hobby of collecting currency issued during times of an emergency which have been printed on other material. It is a challenge not only to secure the items, but to gather the numismatic history which surrounds each item.

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ONE TYPE OF CENT

The coinage of Brunei, a British protected sultanate on the island of Borneo, consists of one type of cent dated 1307. A. H. (1887)

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**When Texans plan an ANA
Convention - Whew - Just
Don't Miss It!**

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NEXT MONTH — The first of two parts "The Coinage of Spain" by P. K. Anderson, Frederick, Okla., president of the American Numismatic Association. Another chapter in the background of the coining process and U.S. mint history by V. J. Van Cleave. And much more . . .

Historical records reveal an interesting beginning for the first coinage mint for the United States in the fourth of a series of articles prepared especially for the TNA News by V. J. Van Cleave.

Early Days Of The Philadelphia Mint

BY V. J. VAN CLEAVE
Richardson, Texas

The original power for the Philadelphia mint was supplied by two oxen. They were replaced by horses in one of the first improvements. The mint has been changing and growing ever since.

In 1816 fire burned the mill house, one of the three original mint buildings. Since most of the machinery not damaged by the fire was virtually worn out, extensive changes were made. A new brick building was built, new machinery installed and a ten-horsepower steam engine was purchased to provide power for the rolling mills. As the oxen had gone, so went the horses.

The coming presses continued to be operated by hand until adapted to the new power source. One converted press, used afterwards for striking proof coins and medals, turned out the first true United States proof coins in 1816.

In 1829, the cornerstone was laid and construction of the present-day mint building was begun. Shortly after its completion, steam power sufficient even for the making of complete coin dies from hubs was installed in 1836. First coins were struck with the new power source March 23. A further touch was added

when the building was fireproofed in 1856.

The old mint buildings, which had served from 1792 to 1832, were sold while Andrew Jackson was president to one Michael Kates in 1836 and this family retained the property until 1907 when it was purchased by Frank H. Stewart.

The associations of his electrical company with the first mint and the numismatic inclination of Stewart led him to gather all the information he could about the buildings and their former use. He talked to descendants of early mint workers, consulted old records, etc. Reluctant to raze the historic building, Stewart did so only after making intensive efforts to preserve it for posterity. So passed a numismatic landmark of the first magnitude.

Security precautions in the old days are indicated by these remarks Stewart made about the old mint and printed in "The Numismatist."

"As soon as the Mint started operation in 1792 a watch dog that cost \$3 was bought for its protection. A yard bell that cost \$17.82 and weighed 36½ pounds was put in place. A watch-house was built and two whale-oil lamps were placed in front of the

Mint.

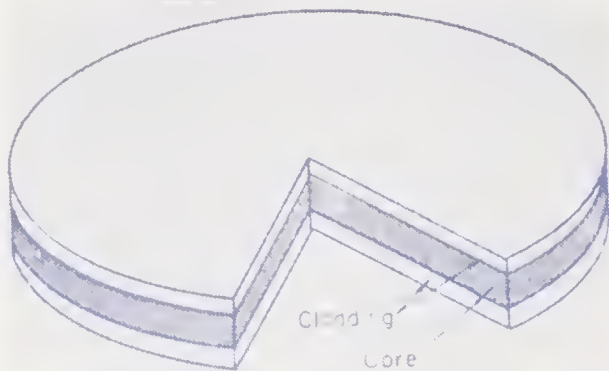
"The ordinary workmen were not permitted to leave the Mint between the time of their arrival at 5 o'clock in the morning and their departure at 8 o'clock in the evening. Their meals were carried to the mint by some relative or friend, and none but the watchman was permitted to feed the dog. Any workman leaving the Mint during working hours without permission and taken in the attempt was to be treated as guilty of a dishonorable act and to be stripped and searched. The night watchman was required to go armed with a short sword and loaded pistol, ring the yard bell every hour by the Mint clock and send the dog through the yard immediately after ringing the bell.

"The basement windows were pro-

teected by iron bars set in marble and the windows by bolted shutters. A sturdy man with an ax could have gotten into the Mint at any time, but the Mint history records no such attempt to break into it from the outside during the time it was located on Seventh Street. The watchman and the watch dog evidently answered the purpose."

Prior to the move of the mint into its new building, coinage had been in limited quantity and consisted mostly of quarters, dimes and half dimes. An act of Congress in 1837 revised the mint and coinage laws. Coin production gradually increased, though overshadowed by paper fractional currency (shinplasters) issued by banks and business firms. This reached its peak during the Civil War

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Engraving Courtesy San Angelo Standard-Times

The drawing shown here is of a multilayer composite coin blank and is how our new quarters and dimes will be made, according to an article by Weldon Surber which appeared in the San Angelo Standard-Times. The "clad" coins will be composed of an alloy of 75 per cent copper, 25 per cent nickel for the outer layer; and the core or inner layer will be pure copper. The new coinage is scheduled for release in 1966.

COMMENTARIUM.....

Brief History of T.N.A.

By E. H. Brooks,
San Angelo, Texas

January of this year our association was five years old and it was fitting that the 1965 convention be held in Corpus Christi, the city of its birth, so to speak. For it was just five years ago that the Texas Numismatic Association came into being as a state organization.

The idea and need for such an organization originated several years prior to this, in 1957 and 1958, by some of the Corpus Christi members, among them being Rosendo Barrera, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Folda and Joe B. Davis. Their ideas and enthusiasm were passed on to others who agreed with the need of such an organization and helped to formulate the plans for the organizational meeting at Port Lavaca in January, 1960.

Through the combined efforts of 47 pioneers in this organization, the final plans for T.N.A. were formulated. These few persons came to the meeting on their own time and expense on a dismal and rainy day and were responsible for what we have today. Much work had to be done prior to this meeting and many contributed their efforts. The ground work on the first constitution was designated to Mrs. Folda, who was elected the first secretary-treasurer of T.N.A. Davis was elected as its first president. Since this first meeting, many members have helped to advance our organization to make it what it is today.

The W. H. Johns of Houston agreed to and did print the first T.N.A. Newsletter for members. During this first year, the state was divided into eight districts, the office

of T.N.A. club representative was created and a T.N.A. scrapbook was initiated. Later the same year, it was incorporated by the state of Texas.

Charter membership was closed on March 31, 1960 with 363 members. Later on the same year, district number nine in the Panhandle was established and our fine monthly publication, T.N.A. News was officially named. Mrs. Doris Martin of Houston was the first editor. In 1961, the T.N.A. Corporate Charter was granted by the State of Texas, and the T.N.A. seal and membership card were approved.

The year 1962 witnessed the establishment of the Lewis M. Reagan award, to be given annually to the T.N.A. member selected by a committee who had contributed the most to Texas numismatics. 1963 was the year that the K. K. Tidwell Literary Award was established in memory of the late Mr. Tidwell of Waco who contributed so much to T.N.A. The T.N.A. Memorial Library was brought into being this same year and at present has over 150 books for loan to members. The convention packet was approved for use as a guide to host clubs for annual conventions.

District number ten was created by the T.N.A. Board in 1961, and club certificates were approved and mailed to all T.N.A. clubs. Resolution No. 4 on **RESTRIKES, REPLICAS, REPRODUCTIONS**, etc., was adopted by the Board and membership this same year. In July, 1961 T.N.A. was declared exempt from

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NEWS ROUNDUP – A.N.A.

By GEORGE MATHER
Corpus Christi, Texas
A.N.A. Representative

Of top A.N.A. interest is, of course the convention in Houston. We sincerely hope you are making every effort to attend. Remember **NO SUNDAY ACTIVITIES.** Don't make yourself disappointed.

Plans for the A.N.A. headquarters building have been changed from that reported in this column. Colorado Springs had been found to be a more desirable location. The project is moving toward an early realization of a long standing dream. All who have not done so are urged to send contributions to Exec. Sec. Don

Sherer, P. O. Box 16243, Phoenix, Ariz. 85011.

Eight clubs from Texas received awards for participating in National Com Week in Texas which was proclaimed by Gov. Connally. You are urged to begin planning early to participate next May in this activity which is specifically aimed at increasing interest in numismatics as a hobby.



HOUSTON'S CONVENTION RECIPE

1 huge roomful of busy bousers
150 Tables of fabulous exhibits, 3



This milface bronze medal, featuring both sides of the official A.N.A. convention seal, above "For Merit of Exhibit" will be presented each exhibitor and have his name engraved on the reverse.

Th medal, together with a "Republic of Texas - 1839" overstrike on a "Republic de Colombia 1825" gold coin and an exhibit judging symposium following the awards meeting Friday morning are three "firsts" for the 1965 convention.



Doris and A. I. Martin, chef cooks and originators of the Houston Convention recipe.

High bidding auction sessions, 1 Personality studied educational forum; 2 Streamlined A.N.A. business meetings; 1 Award presentation session; 1 Information packed judges' forum; 1 Club representatives info swap; 6 Money Mad maneuvers, 5 Diversified trail tracks, Scoopful of outside attractions; Cups brimful of fraternal leavening. Bouquet garni of Southern hospitality.

Blend well. Stir with enthusiasm for four days. Decorate with a gala fun-filled water show and banquet. Do not refrigerate. Store in your memory locker. Serve lavish slices during the years for nostalgic reminiscence.

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COMMENTARIUM —

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Federal Income Tax by the Internal Revenue Service.

Our membership has grown from a meager 47 to the present number of over 1200 individuals and over 100 clubs. What the future holds in store for T.N.A. depends on you as an officer and member. We wish each of you would ask this simple question of yourself — "What have I done to help T.N.A.?" If the answer is nothing — why not resolve to change it during the coming year. Have you ever stopped to figure how our organization would grow if each one of you would bring in one good member a year? The answer would be phenomenal. I assure you. A few faithful members are responsible for most of our new members that are brought in. I am sorry to report.

How do I become a member of T.N.A.? The answer is simple. Get a T.N.A. member in good standing to

EARLY DAYS —

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when hoarding caused the virtual disappearance of metallic currency and the official issuance of fractional currency by the federal government.

The Civil War period also saw the transition of the cent from its large, heavy, costly size to the smaller shape more familiar to us today. Because of its bulk, the large cent had grown increasingly unpopular and the new size was a popular change (no pun intended!) The Indian Head cent was to be the first coin produced in large quantity.

As time went by, mint techniques improved, coin designs changed, and the mint evolution continued. The next events in this changing course are awaited with interest by numismatists. Proposed legislation promises the most radical changes ever made in our coinage. Will Gresham's law that bad money drives out good money cause the disappearance of silver coins? How will the government try to prevent hoarding? Will numismatists suffer as an indirect result of these measures? When will the new mint building (our third) be in operation? What date will appear on the next coins and for how long? Will proof coins be struck again?

These are just some of the questions the future will answer. Interesting days indeed for coin collectors!

vouch for you, sign a check for \$5 and turn it in to the secretary. After the first year, your dues will only be \$3 per year. It is just as simple as that.

Then you may brag that you, too, belong to the best state organization in the nation!

U. S. COMMEMORATIVE HALVES RECALL MEMORIES & MEMORIALS

By WELDON SURBER
San Angelo Standard-Times

BAY BRIDGE OPENING . . .

The San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge commemorative half dollar was issued by the United States to commemorate the opening of Bay Bridge connecting San Francisco and Oakland, in November 1936. The bridge project required 3½ years construction. It is eight miles long crossing 4½ miles of water. It connects with Yerba Buena Island in mid-bay, as shown on the coin, and by means of a tunnel, passes through it. Treasure Island, built in 1939, is connected to Yerba Buena Island by a causeway.

One of the first men to lay eyes on this part of California was Sir Francis Drake who in 1579 anchored in what is now known as Drake's



SURBER

Bay, 30 miles from San Francisco. According to his chaplain's account, Drake nailed to a "lane great poste" a brass plate claiming this land in the name of Queen Elizabeth of England.

In 1766, 357 years later, the plate was discovered by picnickers. It is one of the most treasured possessions of the California Historical Society.

In 1769, Spain decided to colonize upper California, fearing England and Russia would beat them to it. That area remained under Spanish rule until 1821, when Mexico won independence from Spain and took control of all California. In 1846, the United States declared war on Mexico and in the treaty of peace, gained California.

Two years later, in 1848, a few miles from San Francisco, on the American River, John Marshall, a carpenter working for John Sutter, found gold. This brought on the gold



CALIFORNIA GRIZZLY
. . . on obverse



BAY BRIDGE & FERRY
. . . on reverse

cash of 1849).

Many great American writers visited early San Francisco, including Bret Harte, Jack London, Mark Twain, and Charles and Kathleen Norris.

On the obverse of the commemorative coin is the California Grizzly Bear, considered by hunters to be the most dangerous animal in the American continent. On the reverse, is the

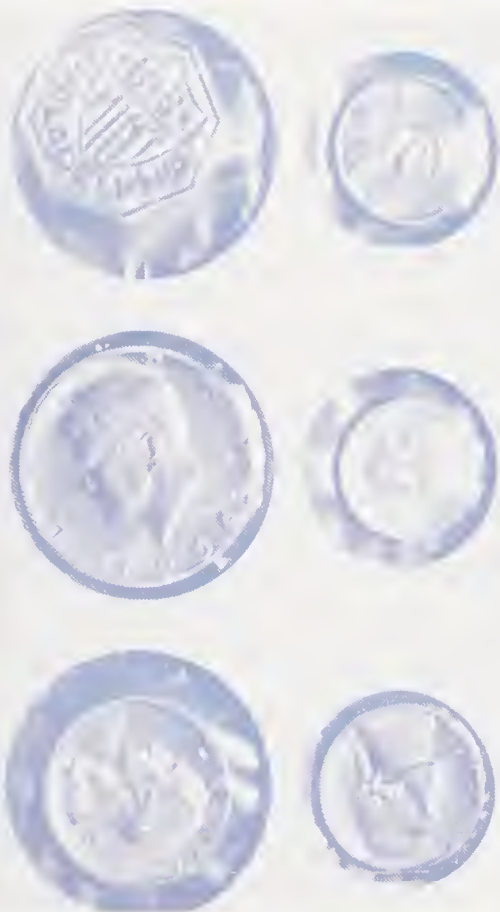
old ferry building in the foreground with the bridge stretching into the background.

One hundred thousand of these coins were minted, but for lack of buyers over 28,000 were sent back to the mint to be melted.



PROOF SET PRICE ZOOMS . . .

Even though four million 1964 proof sets were minted and delivered



1964 PROOF SET

PROOF COINS FOR 1964 still remain popular and high priced for collectors. The mint has announced that no more proof sets will be issued.

by the U. S. Mint, the price of the set remains high. The mint produced more proof sets in 1961 than dur-

ing any other year in its history. Proof sets are purchased direct from the U. S. Mint for \$210, yet the 1964 set is selling for from \$14 to \$15, while other earlier sets sell for under that figure.

There are three reasons for this.

1. This is the first proof set with the likeness of John F. Kennedy.
2. The mint announced that no more proof sets would be issued.
3. All proof sets issued are selling at three to more than 100 times the cost at the mint.

Proof coins have been issued by the mint since 1855 for collectors. The planchets used are selected carefully and each is struck individually on a hydraulic press and handled so one coin cannot touch another. The dies are polished to mirror finish at frequent intervals.



VALUABLE CENTS

The most valuable of all the small cents is the 1856 flying eagle. The United States has minted three types of small cents since it discontinued the obverse of the three-cent—the Flying Eagle, Indian Head, and Lincoln cent. Nine hundred and sixty coins with the 1856 date were minted by the U. S. Why so few?

The answer is the 1870 cent is more interesting since that year marked the important late variety known as the "Large Cent" of 1870. The 1870 cent is the only one of the year 1870 and since Congress did not authorize the issuance of the small cent until 1871, the 1870 cent is the only one struck.

Mint officials working to reduce demand for the large cent decided on a new smaller one. After much experimentation to find design and metal the working decided on the Flying Eagle, which was composed of 88 per cent copper

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VALUABLE CENTS—The 1856 Flying Eagle Cent never meant for circulation, is shown at top. At center is the 1877 Indian cent; and the reverse of the 1909S cent. The "S" denotes its minting at the San Francisco Mint. All three coins are valuable.

national affairs.

The French Revolution opened a Pandora's box in Italy. After the death of her sister on the guillotine in Paris, Maria Caroline became violently anti-French. It was during the closing years of the century, however, that she played a part in another drama familiar to most of my readers today. The British Minister to Naples at the time was Sir William Hamilton. Rather late in life, as a widower, he took unto himself a wife, a girl named Emma Hart who had been sent to him by his nephew. The new Lady Hamilton became the Queen's mistress.

Meanwhile a young Naval Captain, Horatio Nelson, had been sent to Naples to persuade Hamilton to speed up Neapolitan aid in support of British efforts against the French in the Mediterranean. He met Lady Hamilton and the friendship was laid for a romance, which at first was not carried on in the best of taste. Still ranks as one of the great love affairs of history. Under the circumstances it is not surprising that Nelson became a violent partisan of the people, and in two or three occasions endeavored to put the Navy at the service of the Queen's claim to the throne in that case.

The so-called court intrigue went at the expense of the Revolution in southern Italy, which had to be dealt with by the King Caroline here. After Nelson's remarkable victory at the Battle of the Nile in August, 1798, Maria Carolina persuaded the King to declare war on France. The Neapolitan troops drove the French who had occupied Benevento from that city. In short order the French turned about and sent King Ferdinand and his Army back to Naples posthaste. Nelson was on hand to evacuate the Royal Family to Palermo when the Capital was inevitably occupied by the apostles of Revolution. The

French then proclaimed "The Parthenopean Republic" to the disgust of most of the inhabitants, but with the support of a small group of dissident native visionaries. By 1799 the country-side south of Naples had rallied behind the indomitable Cardinal Ruffo who besieged the city and eventually arranged an armistice which amounted to a victory. The departure of the French Army was followed by the return of the King and Queen from Palermo, the transportation being supplied by the ever useful British Fleet, and dire vengeance was wreaked on the rebels.

King Ferdinand and his strong-willed wife were to enjoy only a temporary peace for about six years. In 1806 Napoleon became tired of covert Neapolitan opposition to French designs, and besides he wanted a throne for his brother Joseph. In February, Joseph entered Naples as King, and the Royal Family was again successful in escaping to their island stronghold of Sicily. Napoleon's interest eventually dictated that Joseph should be transferred to Spain as King, and Joseph's eldest son, Louis, took over as King in Naples. Murat's rule which lasted until 1815 was a harsher one. He introduced more reforms, and placed the country on the decimal system with weights and measures equal to those established in France.

The defeat of Bonaparte brought his ruthless military despotism on the continent crashing to the ground. King Joachim in Naples, who during his six year reign had rather fallen in love with the country, abandoned his throne in 1814 and so survived the collapse of Napoleon's schemes. But for no very clear reason at all he made the classic mistake of rallying to Imperial France once more after the escape from Elba.

By May, 1815, he had been de-

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JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

Young collectors will be very much a part of the American Numismatic Association 1965 convention to be held in Houston, August 25-28.

Members of the Young Numismatists of America along with young collectors from the local scene will serve as convention pages. These young men will be under the direction of Jim Rabia, president of the Greater Houston Coin Club. Lester Toltz, III, one of Houston's promising young numismatists, is Senior Page. These fellows will be working quietly behind the scene helping the various chairmen. They will be headquartered at the communication center. Each will be wearing an identifying ribbon. As ushers, they will be very much in evidence at the closing banquet.

The organization of Young Numismatists of America will meet during the convention. This meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Thursday, August 26. Howard Eisenberg, executive secretary of Y.N.A., urges members to attend and extend an invitation to all interested persons.

The young collector will find much of interest in the convention program. Besides the familiar bourse and top-drawer exhibits, the Educational

Forum conducted by Charles Hoskins will feature outstanding speakers. This is always a highlight of the convention. You will want to go on tour to see the Dome Stadium, to visit the Manned Spacecraft Center and for a cruise down Houston's famed ship channel to visit the San Jacinto Battlegrounds and museum. Surely you won't want to miss the opening affair scheduled for Tuesday evening. The precision drill and comedy routine of the Sheriff's Mounted Posse is guaranteed to start the convention with a real Texas flavor.

This is not all. We have also planned just for YOU - a Teen's Swimming and Shamburger party. This poolside fun is for Wednesday morning, August 25. Don't miss it.

Do come early and stay long. Houston welcomes all young numismatists.

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GALLERY OF COINS -

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leaved in Italy and returned to France. A subsequent attempt to regain the throne resulted in his death.

At the Congress of Vienna, old King Ferdinand was successful, with Austrian help, in getting himself re-established in Naples and Sicily. Maria Carolina was no longer living but the King managed without her. While in Vienna he proclaimed himself King of the Two Sicilies. Hitherto he had worn two crowns and reigned in Naples as Ferdinand IV, but in Sicily as Ferdinand III. (For a time, Sicily even had a separate constitution.) After 1816, however, he became Ferdinand I of his united dominions. Sicily was ruled by a Viceroy in the King's name. Most of these constitutional and political developments are reflected on the coinage. To be continued . . .



Meet Lester Toltz, III, and Marilyn Walter, your host and hostess at the fun-filled Swimming and Shamburger party.

THE NUMISMATIC CIRCLE

The Jim Cawthorns of McAllen attended a class reunion in Waco . . . the Frank O'Sullivans, San Antonio, to Minnesota where her Mother is very ill . . . H. A. Redman, Odessa, featured in a news story of a recent Odessa newspaper, said "Aside from the monetary gain there is a wealth of history to be found in the collection and study of coins" . . .

Recent visitors to the Valley were the Brad Smiths of Austin to attend the 85th birthday party for his mother in McAllen . . . Clark Consey, Brownwood attended the county judges' convention in McAllen and Melba spent the weekend in San Antonio . . . the H. C. Cards of Weslaco had their daughters and families visiting from Missouri . . . Milton Schrank, McAllen vacationed in Dallas . . .

Walter Clark, Corpus Christi home from the hospital following a serious illness . . . Tim Gearhart, McAllen to spend August in New York, Ohio and Kentucky . . . Connie and Joe Davis of Corpus Christi should be home from South America just in time for the A.N.A. convention in Houston . . . Darrell Hogan, formerly of Kermit and Premont is now the new assistant coach in the McAllen school system . . .

Douglas Weaver is now a Texan, having moved from Jil, N.M. His opened a new coin shop in Waco . . . Paul Jackson has opened an antique shop in McAllen . . . M/Sgt. George Gillespie, Montgomery, Ala. into Texas and Mexico recently . . . Larry Doyle, McAllen, on a short vacation to Clbourne . . .

Freeman L. Craig, Senior and Junior with Almazar's Coins of the World in San Antonio for the Summer months . . . Don Christiansen,

San Benito, at home from the hospital recuperating from a serious illness . . .

"Lucky" Dracheberg, San Perlita honored with a surprise party on his ?? birthday . . . Harvey Bruns, Mission, back from the World's Fair with his Apache Travelers . . . Jack and Ava Setzer, Shreveport, La., visiting in the Valley . . .

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U.S. COMMEMORATIVE -

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and 12 per cent nickel.

Since this cent was such a radical departure from the large cent in use since the beginning of U. S. money, congressmen and other government officials wanted to inspect the new coin. Demand of officials to see what they would be asked to approve was so great that the mint had to strike nearly 4,000. Many numismatists believe they all were proof and that though wear the mirror like finish wore off.

The 1856 Flying Eagle was never meant to be legal tender; it was a pattern coin for the 1857 issue. A thousand pattern coins is quite a few, but conditions in 1856 made this necessary. All 1856 Flying Eagle cents were handed down from some congressman or government official of that day.

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DESIGNED BY REICH

John Reich designed the Furber Heid type half dollar.

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You won't want to miss it!

ANA 1965 Convention - Houston

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR



EDITOR

We recently read a little story on the value of teamwork in an organization. This little "match-light" drama was used at a national convention and it impressed us that it can be applied to our own T.N.A.

The convention speaker stressed the importance of individual effort as contributing so greatly to final results. He struck a match and held it as the lights in the banquet room were turned off.

"You'll note," he said, "that this small light - like the extra little effort made in your regular work - seems to make very little difference in this room. Now, when I count three, I want each man to pick up the booklet of matches in front of him and strike a match. See the difference," he said as the ballroom literally glowed with the light of so many matches.

"When we individually put out a little spark of extra effort, the combined glow brightens the entire picture."

Continued success of any organization, whether it be T.N.A. or the Knitting Society, depends on each officer and member doing his share. Officers have a responsibility to the membership and the clubs. The duties of each officer should be approached with a determination to give of time and talent - heck! - to put forth the best effort toward success in performing the individual duty.

Governors - Have you been keeping in close contact with your district clubs and their representatives? If you have been unable to visit all of your clubs, have you at least written a letter to each one, welcoming them to your district and in every way letting them know they really belong and T.N.A. couldn't get along without them?

Club Representatives - Are you reporting your club activities for publication in the T.N.A. News? Are you keeping the name "T.N.A." before the club membership? You will always find some little business item in the monthly publication to bring to their attention.

If you do not understand the specific duty of your office, please refer to the yearbook or write to the T.N.A. secretary for a pamphlet which describes in detail what is expected of each governor and club representative. If you cannot fulfill those duties - someone else can. There should be no dead branches on the T.N.A. official family tree.

Don't continue to place the burden of responsibility and hours of work on so few, which in the end you yourself will reap the most benefit. Your

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REVIEWING...

BY M. D. TURNER, San Benito, Tex.,
T. N. A. Library Committee Member

With so many collectors turning their interest to foreign coins, the book "America's Foreign Coins" by Oscar C. Schulke and Raphael E. Solomon is a "natural." The book is catalogued as S5 in the TNA Memorial Library.



The text holds great interest also for the U. S. collector as it elaborates on foreign coins that were acceptable as legal tender by the United States. These coins are a part of our American coinage system and they played a vital role in our early American history from 1793 to 1857.

The authors are ardent coin collectors and realized the need for a book of this type dealing with a much neglected field of numismatics. Much research has gone into the editing of this publication. The charts giving the valuation placed on the different foreign coins in dollars and cents leaves a better understanding of the problems our forefathers faced each day. Also, extracts of the various statutes in our nation's law books that pertain to our usage and acceptance of the various foreign legal tender coins are given.

The book is well illustrated with sharp photographs of the legal tender coins and currency. The valuations are given for average condition. This information should be very helpful in identifying and evaluating your collection.

Do not pass up the opportunity to

read "America's Foreign Coins." You, the collector, will be greatly enlightened and well rewarded in knowledge obtained from its contents.

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BURIED TREASURE STILL BURIED?

Mrs. Sam Dowty, who came to San Angelo, Texas, in 1888, two weeks before the soldiers left Fort Concho, told Weldon Surber of San Angelo an interesting story of buried treasure somewhere on the banks of the North Concho River.

Mrs. Dowty, whose father was a direct descendent of George Mason, author of the Bill of Rights and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, was a young girl living in a house where the public library now stands when she heard the report.

Her brother, George, was 13 or 14 at the time and had been swimming in the Concho at what later became known as Chli's swimming hole, below the Abe street crossing, and he explored the river bank, which sloped farther out than the present bank.

He came running home to tell his father he had found a cave that had stacks of metal bricks in it and that when he scraped the bricks with his knife it shone like silver.

His father and younger sister went with George to see his find. The three searched the banks but could not find the cave. Mrs. Dowty's father decided one of the big boulders along the bank had rolled over the entrance of the cave, covering it.

"Treasure must still be there!"

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Mrs. Beth D. Geiger

1441 N. Mockingbird, Abilene, Tex. 79603



Applicants 1355 - 1396 and C 109's published in the July News have been mailed membership cards and other materials. Members 589 - 603 became eligible for life membership August 1.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

If no objections are filed prior to September 1, the following applicants will become members on that date.

1397 Richard W. Jambura, 2055 River Dr., Shreveport, La. 71105. Phillips P. Steger.

1398 Mrs. G. Eileen Chappell, Box 120, Princeton, Ind. 47570. Silver dollars and foreign. Glen A. Huguenin.

J-1399 Richard Alvin Greenberg, 2613 N. 5th St. Harrisburg, Pa. Silver dollars, U.S. and Canadian. Glen A. Huguenin.

1400 Lt. Donald W. Schleicher, 4565 S. Hamilton Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43227. U.S. Coins and currency. Glen A. Huguenin.

1401 D-1) W. C. Williams, 4649 University Dr. Wichita Falls, Tex. U.S. & Foreign. Beth Geiger.

1402 D-7) Mrs. Alfred Abramson, 3616 Broadway, San Antonio, Tex. 78209. U.S. Bob Bridges.

1403 D-6) Wesley M. Shimaker, 407 Forest Oaks, Houston, Tex. Crowns of the World. Robert C. Holdren.

1404 Ovid A. McHorse, Box 5552, Jackson, Miss. 39208. U.S. and

Foreign. Phillips P. Steger and Byron W. Cook.

1405 D-6) Carlton Pappas, 7215 Sycamore Dr., Galveston, Tex. Dealer. John S. Syphrett.

1406 Cleveland Luker, Box 694, No. Little Rock, Ark. Dealer. Lloyd E. Buss.

1407 Claude Fitch, Marion Hotel, Little Rock, Ark. 72203. Coin Dealer. D. B. Nichols.

1408 D-6) Patrick Johnson, 5714 Southwest Freeway, Houston, Tex. Coin Dealer. Lloyd E. Buss.

1409 D-6) A. M. Carrow, Box 52777, Houston, Tex. 77052. Dealer. R. J. Watters and B. G. Eubank.

J-1410 D-2) Mike Bogusch, Box 753, Sanderson, Tex. 79848. U.S. Coins. Charles B. Vice.

1411 D-6) J. C. Roe, 3945 Ave. S. Galveston, Tex. U.S. Coins. Ruby and W. H. Threlkeld.

1412 D-6) Henry J. Bieman, 2207 30th St., Galveston, Tex. 77551. U.S. Ruby and W. H. Threlkeld.

1413 D-5) Darrell Johnson, 309 Johnson, Marshall, Tex. Tom Bann and Bandy Simms.

1414 D-5) Mrs. Ted Lewis, 4046 University Blvd., Dallas, Tex. 75205. Silver and Cents. Arnie Deaton and Mrs. Harold Clement.

1415 D-F) Mrs. M. Rubel, Rte. 7, Box 509, Waco, Tex. U.S. Coins. Douglas Weaver.

1416 D-8) Jack K. Morgan, 1009 Herndon, Corpus Christi, Tex. 78411.

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from the librarian

T.N.A. Memorial Library

Wally Gilmore

Box 74 Weslaco Texas 78596

Since June 15 the library has had three requests for books, and one request for back issues of the Numismatic Scrapbook and The Numismatist. The film "A Trip Through the Denver Mint" has been used by clubs at Bellare, Lamarque, San Angelo, Eastland, Brownwood, Ft. Worth, Temple and it is scheduled for showing at Corsicana on August 26.

The library books will soon be housed in beautiful cases made and donated by Bob Bridges of Corpus Christi. Bob has spent many hours on these cases and T.N.A. sends grateful thanks.

We are listing the Numismatic Scrapbooks on hand and if anyone has any to send to the library, we will be happy to receive them. The library has July to Dec. 1946, Jan. to Dec. 1947, April to Aug. Oct. to Dec. 1957, Jan. to June, Aug. to Dec. 1958, Jan. to Dec. 1959, Feb. to Dec. 1960, Jan. to Dec. 1961, 1962, 1963, Jan. to Mar. 1964, Feb. and Mar. 1965. We will list The Numismatists on hand in next month's report.

Please add the following books to your library list.

B-16p - Coins of the Ancient World. Designed by Wm. A. Bostick. Detroit Institute of Arts. 1964. donated by Louis Goodwin, Odessa.

The following were donated by R. A. Glascock, San Antonio.

C-15p - Coin Dictionary & Guide. C. C. Chamberlain & Fred Reinfield.

C-16 - Coins of British Occident. Robert L. Clarke. 1964.

H-6 - Profit March of Year. Coin

FROM THE SECRETARY -

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Mexican Coins & Currency. Mr. and Mrs. Wally Gilmore.

H-17 (D-2) O. L. Crooks. 2403 Terrace, Midland, Tex. U.S. H. Gilfen and E. H. Brooks.

C-111 (D-1) Greater Southwest Coin Club. 500 Yorkshire Dr., Euless, Tex. 76033. James R. Robertson, President.

C-112 (D-5) Corsicana Coin Club, Box 1335, Corsicana, Tex. 75111. Travis H. Aston, Pres.

LIFE MEMBERS

LM-23 (=300) Stanley K. Rupert. 151 Wonderland Center, San Antonio, Tex. 78201.

LM-6 (=C-5) Fort Worth Coin Club. 1932 Glade St., Ft. Worth, Tex. 76114.

REINSTATEMENTS

270 Carroll W. Tume. 1006 N. 11th St., Lamesa, Tex. 79331.

655 Jon F. Coll. 511 - 34th St., Lubbock, Tex. 79410.

659 George B. Wright, Jr. 1457 Glendale St., Abilene, Tex. 79603.

705 Don O'Donnell, 2808 - 60th St., Lubbock, Tex.

I-1005 Paul F. Matels, 2009 Evansdale Dr., Hyattsville, Md. 20783.

ADDRESS CHANGES

FM-11 Douglas W. Weaver. 1823 Austin Ave., Waco, Tex.

678 Paul M. Washburn. 1920 Glenwood, Abilene, Tex. 79605.

I-113 Paul Washburn II. 1920 Glenwood, Abilene, Tex. 79605.

997 Darrell Hogan. Box 1326, M. Allen, Tex.

C-105 Schmoole Coin Club. 701 Ave. G, NW, Schmoole, Tex. 79360.

1122 Morris D. Ray. 4470 Reseland Apt. 7, Houston, Tex. 77006.

1068 Thomas R. Matthews, Jr. 4010 Pecos Path, Austin, Tex. 78731.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 25-28

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSN. 74th convention, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. A. I. Martin, gen. chrm., 6207 Chevy Chase, Houston, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 4-5

CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB annual coin show, Cow House Hotel, Killeen, Tex. Contact J. C. Moore, 112 E. Avenue D, Killeen, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 4-5

INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB 1st annual Fall show, Sheraton Motor Inn, El Paso, Texas. Bourse: W. L. Barry, 4151 N. Mesa, El Paso.



SEPTEMBER 11-12

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB 5th annual coin show. Address club at Box 57, San Angelo, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 15-19

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, 5th annual coin show, Ridgewood Motel, Beaumont. Write T. G. Brown, bourse chrm., 3555 Sleepy Lane or F. J. McMillan, gen. chrm., 1579 Roberts Ave., Beaumont, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 15-19

AUSTIN TEXAS COIN CLUB annual coin show, Villa Capri. Send inquiries to club at Box 1225 Austin, Texas.



SEPTEMBER 25-26

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB 4th annual coin show, Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Texas. Contact Jack Hendrix, bourse chrm., 510 Conner Ave., Ft. Worth, Texas.

SEPTEMBER 25

MIDLAND COIN CLUB, Mall of Dellwood Plaza, Midland, Texas. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.



OCTOBER 2-3

NOLAN COUNTY COIN CLUB, Sweetwater, 1st annual show, Holiday Center. Write Mrs. Ben G. Monroe, 713 E. Arizona, Rt. 3, Sweetwater, Texas.



OCTOBER 2-3

TEMPLE COIN CLUB'S annual bourse, Kyle Hotel. Dan Palasek, gen. chrm., 120 S. Mann, Temple, Tex.



OCTOBER 2-3

GALVESTON COUNTY COIN CLUB Jamboree, Holiday Inn, Texas City. Bourse: Claude Bessler, Box 2331, Texas City, Tex. 77591.



OCTOBER 9-10

GREATER SAN ANTONIO 6th annual coin convention, Granada Hotel, San Antonio, Tex. Hosts: San Antonio, Alamo, Gateway Coin Clubs. Gen. Chrm.: Harley Yarber, Jr.; Bourse: S. M. "Mac" Kennedy, 107 Dawndridge Dr., San Antonio, 78213.



OCTOBER 16-17

BI-CITY COIN CLUB 1st annual coin show, Ramada Inn, College Station, Tex. Bourse: Bob Boriskie, Box 3216, College Station, 77841.



OCTOBER 23-24

BIG SPRING COIN CLUB show, Settles Hotel, W. E. Wozencraft bourse, 1000 Stadium, Big Spring, Texas.



OCTOBER 30-31

LIBERTY COIN CLUB annual show, Corpus Christi, Tex. Memorial

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT TWO:

Louis Goodwin, president of the Odessa Coin Club,

announced to members that the club had received honorable mention in National Coin Week which is sponsored by A. N. A. The announcement came



Louis R. Goodwin
Governor

in a letter from Mrs. Lois Ott, N. C. W. chairman. A letter had also been set to Texas' Governor John Connally praising the Odessa club and all coin collectors.

Ken Allen spoke to the group on treasure hunting with metal detectors and showed several types being used.

Goodwin gave a talk on the coins of Saarland, giving the history of the country. Coins have only been issued from Saarland for two years - 1954 and 1955. The country is a rich coal mining and industrial region situated in the Saar River Valley between France and Germany.

The club also discussed the Senator Bible bill and urged all members to help fight the bill. Ashley Lawson led the discussion.



DISTRICT THREE:

William Rust, Sr. of Wichita Falls was awarded with best of show trophy at the fifth annual Key City Coin Club show held in early July in Abilene at the Sands Motor Hotel. A member of the club was honored with having "Best Exhibit" the entry

being World Columbs, by Paul Washburn, II.

Eight first place awards were given in various categories at the show. They were presented to: Marvin K. Britton, Big Spring, U.S. coins; Louis Goodwin, Odessa, coins prior to 1500 A.D.; C. M. Travis, Pecos, foreign coins; Shirley Bailey, San Angelo, paper money; Rust, miscellaneous and specialized; Wayne Miro, Abilene, junior U.S. coins; and Mike Williams, Abilene, junior foreign coins.



The San Angelo Coin Club held

its regular meeting at the Town House Motor Hotel on July 1 with 52 members and three guests present. The club had two displays for members to view, one a complete set of English farthings by Bob Bailey and complete sets of Franklin Dimes and Jefferson nickels by James Peterson.



Mrs. Homer B. Casey
Governor

The program was presented by F. H. Brooks in which he informed the members of the proposed bill sponsored by Senator Alvin Bible. The bill if passed he stated would be the "Death Sentence" for coin collecting. Brooks explained the organization of the United Coin Collectors Alliance and their purpose for organizing. All members were urged to write their Senators and Representatives objecting to the pas-

sage of Bill S-2036. The club voted to send \$10 and individual members contributed \$18.50 toward this project. A total of \$28.50 was mailed to the U.C.C.A. in New York.

Reports were given by coin show chairmen and indications are for a big show on September 11 and 12 in San Angelo.



The Big Spring Coin Club, met in regular session in July at the Settle Hotel, with 21 members present. Joseph Falter of Redding, Penn., was a visitor. The club voted to donate \$25 to the new Crippled Children's Center.

Junior member Lynn Kirby, presented the evening's program and his



T.N.A. President, Floyd E. Covill is shown presenting the first place trophy in paper money to Shirley Bailey, San Angelo, at the July coin show sponsored by the Key City Coin Club in Abilene. Other T.N.A. officials attending were Mrs. Beth Geiger, Mrs. Homer B. Casey, F. H. Brooks, Weldon Surber, Jack O. Hendrix, Louis Goodwin, and Charles Vice. Special guest was P. K. Anderson, Frederick, Okla., A.N.A. president.

subject was "How Our Money Began."

Plans are underway for the Fall coin show on October 23-24 with Lois McKee as general chairman. W. E. Wozniak is bourse chairman and may be contacted at 1000 Stadium, Big Spring.



DISTRICT FOUR:

L. L. Edmonds displayed his collection of U. S. currency and gave an interesting talk on how he had acquired several of the "prize" items at three annual meetings of the Waco Coin Club.



L. L. Edmonds
District Four Governor

The club met at the TP & T Service Center with 50 members and guests present. They met the second Thursday of the month.



Plans are in progress for the Labor Day annual coin show to be held by Central Texas Coin Club at Kilbuck. The show will be held September 1-5 at the City House Motel Hotel.

Special guests at a recent club meeting were L. L. Hill of Temple, T.N.A. district four governor, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Edmonds Waco. Edmonds is immediate past district governor.

The club met at the First National Bank civic room with 32 present.



Austin Coin Club's sixth annual "Money Mart" is being planned as the largest coin show ever held in Central Texas, and is scheduled for September 18-19, at the Villa Capri Motel, 2360 Interregional Highway.

won best of show in exhibits at the recent Treasure Island Coin Club show held in Galveston at the Hotel Galvez. Some 2500 persons registered during the two-day show on June 26-27. E. E. "Sarge" White was general chairman.

Forty-one cases exhibited by 21 collectors in eight classifications were on view to the public. Other winners in addition to best of show were Louis H. Harrison, Beaumont, 1st in gold, U.S. coins; Hank Rogers, Shreveport, La., 1st; M. J. Anderson, Texas City, 2nd; Wesley Doyer, Galveston, 3rd; Mrs. F. K. Richardson, 4th. Foreign coins, Threlkeld, 1st; Rogers, 2nd; and Gerald W. Kendall, Houston, 3rd. Fourth place winners were Lester Totte, Houston, Ruby Threlkeld, and Doyer.

Others include paper money, Mrs. Threlkeld, 1st; J. C. Lee, Galveston, 2nd; miscellaneours, Mrs. F. R. Ripley, Texas City, 1st; Mrs. Threlkeld, 2nd; A. B. Roddy, Texas City, 3rd; Odd and errands, C. W. Blair, Galveston, 1st; clippings, J. D. Fuller, Texas City, 1st; F. E. White, Ft. Worth, 2nd; Mr. Torker's, 3rd; and Mrs. Pitt Hunter, Texas City, 4th.

Jewelry and bric-a-brac, E. E. White, Ft. Worth, 1st; Paul, Solway, etc.



Winners in foreign classification at the recent Treasure Island Coin Club show held in Galveston were Hugh Threlkeld, 1st; Wesley Doyer, 4th; Lester Totte, 4th; Ruby Threlkeld, 4th; Hank Rogers, 2nd; and Gerald W. Kendall, 3rd.

Schlenberg, 2nd; Datholyn Anderson, Texas City.

Highlights of the show included a member-dealer party on Friday night before the show opened; an awards' breakfast on Sunday morning under the direction of Ruby Threlkeld. Mrs. Chris Johns of Houston was guest speaker. Lloyd Buss, district six T.N.A. governor, was a special guest.

At the regular meeting July 6, E. J. Cordray, Jr., resigned as club treasurer and H. J. Bierman was elected to take his place. F. R. Ripley told of his trip to Canada, and Mrs. F. J. Cordray, Sr., gave an account of her visit to Mexico.

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Dick Johnson, spoke to members of the Greater Houston Coin Club recently on Victor D. Brenner and the Lincoln cent. Johnson displayed a copy of a hand-written autobiography of Brenner which he had obtained from the Metropolitan Museum.

The club plans to celebrate its tenth anniversary on September 16.

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DISTRICT EIGHT

Gregory Days has been appointed as the district chairman for the Greater Houston Liberty Coin Club. He will be in charge of the August 1 coin meeting in Corpus Christi on October 30-31. Mr. Days will be at the Niece Hotel.



Joe B. Days
District Governor

Days will also be in charge of house and reservations for tables should be addressed to Box 1291, Corpus Christi. Also assisting in show arrangements will be Bob Bridges, 1315 Ayers, exhibits, and Mrs. M.

E. Foy registration.



M. D. Turner of San Benito was guest speaker at the July 13 meeting of the Brownsville Coin Club at the First National Bank. Rev. Harry Smith is program chairman.

The club is cohosting the November 12-14 Wildcat show with the Lip O Texas Collectors' Association at the Civic Center, Brownsville. Write Jimmie Hallen, 1550 W. Third, both Brownsville, for information.



Members of the Kingsville Coin Club were urged to write their Senators and Congressmen in protest of the recently introduced bill by Senator Alton B. Ford which would be a serious threat to the coin collecting hobby if it should pass.

Information pertaining to the bill was made available to the members. The club meets at the Kleberg County Court House in Kingsville every other Tuesday night.



The Hidalgo Coin Club met July 1 when members enjoyed a games party. Proceeds from the party were donated to the TNA building fund which amounted to over \$50.

The club has had two deaths among its members recently, losing H. C. Wingfield of Pharr and Henry Davis of Weslaco. It was voted to purchase a book for the club library in memory of these members.

Total paid-up membership now stands at 91 with two Life Members, Mrs. Miriam Gilmore and Mr. Emily Kleemeyer and four junior members. Meetings are held each first Thursday in the month at the Casado Palmis Hotel in McAllen.



Joe B. Davis, district eight governor, presided at the June 21st meeting of Corpus Christi Coin Club. The planned backyard barbecue had to be postponed indefinitely because

of a heart attack suffered by the president, George Mather. (At press time George is progressing nicely with increased appreciation of the TNA fraternity because of many get well messages received.)

The club received with deep sorrow news of the death on June 20, of Mrs. Sam Hindman, after a long illness. Mary Ann had been an energetic club member.

Enclosed as time was voted the United Coin Collectors' Association and its future activities in form of a program which would affect our hobby.

The July 5th meeting was well attended considering the holiday. Clarence Day acted as president and preside. Members were encouraged to write their senators and representatives about legislation and to give financial support to UCCCA in its continuing efforts.

Bob Bridges, TNA 2nd vice president, presented National Coin Week awards to the club and to members Lamar Folda and George Mather. He explained that other clubs in the city and members who had displayed exhibits had received awards also.

Cly Stubblefield will show and talk about his collection of coins of the Netherlands at the July 19th meeting. He was a first time exhibitor at the World Coin Show, July 11th, where he won a second place trophy.



The first annual World Coin Club show was held on Sunday, July 11 at the Incarnate Word Academy, end of road in Corpus Christi. Philip C. Leubner was general chairman. Approximately 650 persons registered during the day and 20 house dealers attended.

Exhibit winners were Mrs. W. R. Robbins, Corpus Christi, best of show, general world coins, Mrs. M.

E. Foy, first; Jack Beare, second; Louis A. Gonzales, third, all of Corpus Christi; world cons. specialized, Mrs. Robbins, first; Clay Stubblefield, Corpus Christi, second; Ray T. Von Rosenberg, Taft, third.

Also, Mexico cons., Mrs. Fred J. Floerke, Taft, first; Jack K. Morgan, Corpus Christi, second, foreign proofs, H. L. Robinson, first, foreign before 1500 Mrs. Augusta Folda, first, foreign paper money, Morgan, first, all of Corpus Christi.

In the junior division, Neal Floerke, Taft, placed first, Robert Simpson, Corpus Christi, second, and Tony Floerke, Taft, third.

Committee chairmen assisting Lenken were Mrs. T. H. Love, exhibits; Mrs. Foy, registration; L. J. Heroy, publicity; Mrs. Robbins, refreshments; Irvn Block, door prizes; and Mark Putnam, junior bourse. Jay Floyd is club president.

DISTRICT TEN:

The first meeting of what should be an El Paso affiliate of the Azteca Numismatic Society of California was held in June with Wm. L. Timmons elected temporary chairman. Charles DeCroat will serve as secretary-treasurer.

An introduction and explanation of the Azteca society was given by Tim-



Charles R. Vice
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mons and P. S. Shutt discussed their official publication, Plus Ultra, edited by Erma Stevens.

EVENTS CALENDAR —

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NOVEMBER 6-7

ANGELS, INC., 2nd annual coin and gun show, Market Hall, Dallas, Tex. Non Profit organization for educating and training the mentally retarded. Address: Box 18581, Dallas.

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THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR — (Continued from Page 21)

individual effort is reflected in the FNA News — scan the "Texas District Meetings" — then count the number of clubs in your district, compare the figures and see for yourself if you have been working!

Let's all resolve to light a match of individual effort and as the convention speaker said "The combined glow will brighten the entire picture" thirty . . .

THE PESO

By Federico Claveria - Reprinted From NUMISMA
Santa Barbara, Calif. Coin Club Journal

When Spain conquered and colonized the Western Hemisphere, the same monetary unit was used in the colonies as in the Mother country: the reales in small coins and the eight real piece in the large silver coin. These pieces were made in all of Latin America. In the latter part of the 19th century in Spain the unit became peseta and a five peseta crown became a "dimo." Eventually in the Americas the piece of eight became a "peso."

The word "peso" in Spanish means "weight" and it is believed that with the striking of the silver cob eight real pieces, as they were irregular, people were used to trimming or filing off a little silver at a time, and as these pieces returned to circulation, people accepting them would exclaim, "este no da el peso" "esta va no es un peso." Translated into English: "this does not weigh its weight" or "this is not of weight." And from this was given to the large crown size coins the name of "peso." As the colonies became independent and countries were born, 16 new countries adopted the peso or mints of 100 as the monetary unit.

The first country was Chile, issuing a peso coin in 1817 and gaining its full independence in 1818. Uruguay was second, gaining independence in 1825. Its first coin with the word peso was minted in 1844, and is still being used today. Third was Costa Rica with full independence in 1848 and striking its first coin with the word peso, reading Republica de Costa Rica 1/2 P", which was commonly called Medio Peso (half dollar). Costa Rica never did issue a one peso coin. Today the 100 mints are called a Colon in honor of Cristobal Colon (Christopher Co-

lumbus.)

Peru followed next, and in Peru as in Mexico the same unit of reales was used. During Peru's war of independence, a small copper coin was struck in the amount of 1/4 peso. However, it was not until 1855 that the large one peso coin was struck in silver, and this was the only year in which they struck a coin with the word peso on it. From 1821 to 1855 the eight reales of independent Peru was in use. Today in Peru the monetary unit is the "sol."

In fifth place comes Haiti, starting its drive for independence from France in 1794, becoming a republic in 1801 and using the monetary unit of 100 centimes. Later it became the gourde and is in use today. But in 1856 the Emperor Faustin the First struck a large coin with a large bust of himself and on the reverse the inscription "Empire D'Haiti" 1856, the coat of arms, to the left the number 1 and to the right the letter P, which no doubt stands for one peso.

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Tidwell Literary Award Rules Are Announced

A committee of three, Frank O' Sullivan, John S. Hill and Louis R. Goodwin, appointed by T.N.A. President Floyd E. Covill, have reviewed the existing rules and regulations concerning the Kalvart K. Tidwell Literary Award, which is presented annually to a T.N.A. member who submits the winning article to the T.N.A. News. The following revised recommendations have been made:

"The T.N.A. KALVART K. TIDWELL LITERARY AWARD shall be

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"The President shall appoint a committee to review the published articles written by T.N.A. members, unless the writer requests that his article not be considered. They shall determine whether or not any published article merits this award and if so they shall determine the winner. The name of the winner shall not be revealed except to the President until time of presentation and he shall be responsible for the presence of the

winner at the Awards' Breakfast meeting.

"Articles submitted in competition shall be the original paper of the author submitting, and shall not have appeared previously in any publication. Any data or conclusions presented therein which contradict major numismatic data previously accepted by the majority of numismatists specializing in the particular subject, as factual, shall be supported by a bibliography and/or explanatory notes to an extent deemed adequate by the editor of the TNA News. Although the sole judge of this qualification, the editor, at his discretion, may solicit the opinion of qualified experts in the pertinent field."

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